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## PRASE GOD FOR VICTORIA

Jubilee Begins with Thanksgiving Services in Churches.

## GREAT CROWDS PARTICIPATE

The Queen Attends a Private Service in St. George's Church—Bishop Potter Preaches at Windsor Parish Church—Hay and Reid Attend St. Paul's Cathedral.

London, June 20.—The celebration of the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria began today with the holding of thanksgiving services throughout the kingdom. The services were held in the morning, and the Te Deum sung everywhere, from St. Paul's Cathedral to the remotest village, chorused reverence for her majesty.

A private service was held in St. George's Church, Windsor Castle, which was attended by the Queen, the members of the royal family, and a few intimate friends. The Queen's Indian attendants wheeled her chair into the aisle, where she sat surrounded by her children, who embraced her after the service. A public service was held in the chapel in the afternoon, to which several of the royal family returned, but the Queen herself was absent. A chorus of 500 voices gave Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise."

Bishop Potter, of New York, preached to a crowded congregation in the Windsor Parish Church. He said that the jubilee was a day of thanksgiving for the blessings of the Queen's reign.

The diplomats, jubilees, and judges in their robes of state attended a special service that was held in St. Paul's Cathedral, where the Right Rev. Mandell Creighton, bishop of London, preached the sermon.

Col. John Hay, the American ambassador, and Whiteley Reid, the special envoy, accompanied by their wives, were driven to the cathedral in two of the royal carriages.

Rear Admiral Miller, who was appointed to represent the American Navy at the jubilee, was unable to attend, owing to illness.

A special service for the members of the House of Lords was held in Westminster Abbey, where a similar service for members of the House of Commons was held in St. Margaret's Church.

The chief rabbi officiated at the service held in the great synagogue.

Among those who attended were Baron Rothschild and the Right Hon. George F. Phillips, lord mayor of London.

Continuous services were held in many of the churches throughout the day and special anthems were sung.

Services were also held at the British embassies abroad. President Faure attended the services in Paris and King George, of Greece, in Athens.

The Sultan of Turkey sent five envoys to represent him at the service held at the chapel of the British embassy, at Therapia.

All the diplomats resident in the Turkish Empire were present at the service.

The streets through which the royal procession will pass on Tuesday have been crowded since dawn and tonight they are practically impassable.

The crowds are intent upon seeing the decorations, which on the west end of the city and the city banks are magnificent. Elsewhere, many of the decorations have not yet been completed.

Ambassador Hay, Mr. Reid, Gen. Miles, and Rear Admiral Miller, composing the American special embassy, will go to Buckingham Palace tomorrow, attired in levee dress. They will be entertained at luncheon in the garden, and will be presented to the Queen, after her majesty has received the royal guests and the Indian prince.

McKinsley's letter and will dine at the palace in the evening.

Gen. Miles, who represents the American Army, will ride in the royal procession on Tuesday among the military and naval equerries. He will be placed beside Gen. Hagron, the representative of the French Army.

Mr. Reid will ride in the same carriage with the Spanish envoy, the Duke de Rotomayor, and Gen. Davout, Duke of Austerlitz, the French envoy.

London, June 20.—The work of building stands and completing the decorations of the city has not yet completed, and carpenters and decorators were employed all day today and their work was continued far into the night. They will be constantly employed until Tuesday. The streets have not been empty since dawn yesterday.

On the sidewalks there was a similar condition of affairs. Children, women, and men, and even the most good natured people, were all crowded together, and the sidewalks were a mass of humanity.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, and the Duke and Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh were among the brilliant congregation which attended the service at St. Paul's.

Bishop Creighton, in his sermon, declared that what the British had to commemorate was not the growth of material prosperity during the Victorian era, but the advance made in scientific discoveries, but the gradual recognition of the truth, as exemplified by Her Majesty's reign.

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